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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Bebbington *et al.*  
Application No: 10/722,374 Confirmation No.: 8573  
Examiner: Balasubramanian, V.  
Art Unit: 1624  
Filing Date: November 25, 2003  
For: PYRAZOLE COMPOUNDS USEFUL AS PROTEIN KINASE  
INHIBITORS

January 5, 2005  
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

*See applied only*

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004. With the extension, a response is due on or before January 5, 2005.

The Director is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$450.00 that is due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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